

(e) The Ministry of Rural Development provides financial and technical support to States and Union Territories to conduct a BPL Census in the beginning of the Five Year Plan to identify the rural poor who could be assisted under its various programmes. Programmes such as, Sampooma Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) and Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), a wage employment and self-employment programmes respectively are implemented in the rural areas of the country including Bihar. Under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), assistance is provided to the rural poor for construction of houses, which has a direct bearing on their living conditions. With effect from 2nd Feb., 2006, National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) is being implemented in the selected 200 districts of the country. The Act provides for enhancement of livelihood security of the rural households by providing at least 100 days of guaranteed wage employment in every financial year to every household whose adult member volunteer to do unskilled manual work. In Bihar, it is reported that 618.37 lakh mandays were generated under SGRY, 1.31 lakh swarozgaris were assisted under SGSY and 3.32 lakh houses were constructed under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) during 2005-06.

Review of National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme

1621. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made periodical review of implementation of National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme in various States;

(b) if so, the time-schedule of review and the composition of the Review Committee;

(c) the comparative achievements of the Scheme in States, where it has been introduced; and

(d) Government's action plan to ensure equitable spread of the Scheme amongst different States?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRASEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Periodic review meetings have been undertaken by Minister of Rural Development and Secretary (Rural Development) from time to time. The details of such meetings are as under:

- (i) Review meeting with State Secretaries by Minister in Delhi on 12th/13th May, 2006.
 - (ii) State specific reviews by Minister in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Jharkhand and Jammu and Kashmir in May-June, 2006.
 - (iii) Minister of Rural Development participated in the Social Audit in Andhra Pradesh in the month of September, 2006.
 - (iv) Regional review meetings by Minister at Delhi on 26.9.2006 of Northern region and at Kolkata on 12th/13th September, 2006 of Eastern region.
 - (v) Review of Kerala and North Eastern States by Secretary in September, 2006.
 - (vi) Meeting of the Central Employment Guarantee Council was held on 27.9.2006 and a through review of NREGA was undertaken.
 - (vii) Performance Review Committee meeting of Southern and Western region at Delhi on 9.10.2006.
 - (viii) Conference of Project Directors, DRDA, at Delhi on 16-17, October, 2006.
 - (ix) Meeting with State Secretaries and District Programme Coordinators on NREGA held on 01.11.2006.
 - (x) Minister (RD) and Secretary (RD) also reviewed performance of NREGA of States at State Headquarters.
- (c) A State-wise progress report on the implementation of NREG Act is given in the enclosed Statement (See below).
- (d) The process of implementation has been affected due to elections in a few States, on-set of rains and inadequate staff with the implementing agencies. Pace of implementation of NREGA is also based on the pace of demand for job cards and then for employment. Thus, States are at different level of implementation. Instructions have been issued by the Ministry from time to time to speed up the process of implementation of the Act.

Statement**Status of implementation of NREGA in 2006-07**

Position upto October, 2006

Sl. No.	State	Applications for Registration	Job cards Issued Number	Demand for Employment		Employment provided	
				Household	Individual	Household	Individual
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4380650	4380650	1546503	2119916	1546503	2119916
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	17480	16926	16926	NR	16926	NR
3.	Assam	601273	523209	204640		205086	
4.	Bihar	2966005	2037604	525843	718141	477832	714828
5.	Chhattisgarh	1772900	1726855	695642	1302463	688524	1270589
6.	Gujarat	611026	614343	100698		100698	
7.	Haryana	87884	88818	28056	34758	28056	34758
8.	Himachal Pradesh	93016	88056	41960	44307	39320	41303
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	186811	159158	NR	20261	NR	20261
10.	Jharkhand	2019997	1914800	581689	817934	578343	813672
11.	Karnataka	670822	608436	235009	459364	229185	447715
12.	Kerala	227057	11958	3854	NR	3750	NR
13.	Madhya Pradesh	4423536	4381801	1979844	2304137	1998375	2225679
14.	Maharashtra	3057951	2467037	191272	435861	191272	435861
15.	Manipur	17880	17880	17880	43700	17800	43700
16.	Meghalaya	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
17.	Mizoram	50930	22918	20801	12100	20801	12100
18.	Nagaland	27884	27884	NR	8950	NR	8950
19.	Orissa	2762080	2261284	320938	539387	261121	428882
20.	Punjab	40310	37326	37326	40310	30715	NR
21.	Rajasthan	1495048	1493628	927890	1246742	927890	1246742
22.	Sikkim	4696	4323	3611	4336	3611	4336
23.	Tamil Nadu	1340307	1309462	299860	397505	299860	397505
24.	Tripura	70259	64587	73971	115696	72348	113159
25.	Uttaranchal	283132	191657	40153	40345	40008	40186
26.	Uttar Pradesh	3471356	3414000	1718544	1984778	1611342	1897582
27.	West Bengal	4882986	4116470	1498036	2399698	1351840	2334565
TOTAL		35563256	31979070	11110946	15090689	10739206	14652081